GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

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FIFA WORLD CUP 2002
BRAHMANAND MANDAL

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian team could not participate in FIFA World Cup 2002; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor with details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SUSHREE UMA BHARTI)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Indian football team could not qualify for FIFA World Cup-2002. Only 32 countries, who had qualified for this event, have participated in it.